

## House Resolution 725

By: Representative Hudson of the 124<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and remembering the life of Melvin Leslie, Sr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its most distinguished citizens with the passing  
3 of Melvin Leslie, Sr., on March 20, 2007, at the age of 96; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Leslie was the fourth child of the late Reo Bowen Leslie and the late  
5 Sancture Bass Leslie; and

6 WHEREAS, he was a member of the Trinity CME Church where he served as a grave  
7 digger, a sexton, a steward, and a trustee; and

8 WHEREAS, he was especially proud to have assisted in the construction of the naval base  
9 in Perryville, Maryland, and the hospital, barracks, and mess hall at Fort Gordon in Augusta;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, he also took great pride in his experience as a ship fitter, builder, and welder  
12 on the USS *Tidewater* and other impaired naval vessels; and

13 WHEREAS, later in his life he became a master farmer and gardener; and

14 WHEREAS, he demonstrated his love for children by 11 years of service as a bus driver for  
15 the Hancock County School System; and

16 WHEREAS, he was a true patriarch to his children, grandchildren, family, and friends and  
17 will be dearly missed; and it is fitting and proper that we extend sympathy to his family and  
18 friends.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 the members of this body join together to express their deepest regret at the passing of  
3 Melvin Leslie, Sr., and extend their most sincere condolences to his family.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Melvin Leslie,  
6 Sr.